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The Washington Squabble—Danger of Outside Interference.

In all the blustering, fuss and fury and disgraceful state of affairs at Washington at the present time, the only danger to the nation of kindling the flames of civil war and anarchy in our midst is in outside interference. As long as the parties in Congress and the White House are left to make tools of themselves, which they are doing in the most effectual manner, there is not the slightest danger to the country at large. It is a very disgraceful quarrel as it stands and has already been productive of enough trouble and talk. But when we find the Governors of Pennsylvania and Illinois offering to place soldiers at the disposal of Congress to enable them to carry out their disorganizing schemes, and crazy leaders in our principal cities organizing "Johnson Defenders," the case becomes serious in the extreme. A single company of troops sent to Washington might plunge the nation into civil war and bloodshed, and it is the duty of every true patriot to discountenance in the most emphatic manner any such criminal and suicidal course. The condition of affairs at the national capital is critical enough, and needs to be investigated and settled in the most delicate manner. Reckless partisans on either side should not be permitted to embroil the people of the various States in the quarrel and precipitate them into a gulf of civil war and fratricidal strife, from which it may tax all the energies and immense resources of the country to extricate them. Let every one, therefore, who has the slightest spark of patriotism in his breast watch closely and frown down any attempt on the part of officials or individuals to interfere with force in this Washington squabble. There is not the slightest necessity of employing bayonets or artillery as arguments on either side. If the contending parties be left to themselves to bluster and be the laughing stock of the world it will be for the interests of the nation.

The Tenement House Law—Action at Last.

After long and criminal neglect of the most vital principles of humanity and duty, on the part of the avaricious and grasping owners of tenement houses in this city, there is a prospect at length that they will be compelled to respect the lives and health of their unfortunate tenants. The Superintendent of Buildings is actively moving in the matter, and has already issued a large number of peremptory notices to the proprietors of tenement houses, or their agents, requiring them to place upon their buildings a practical fireproof escape and a stairway connecting with a proper opening leading to the roof; to connect by doors all the rooms on each floor, from front to rear, in order to afford a safe and secure means of escape in case of fire, as directed by the act of the Legislature. There is, besides, no loophole of escape for the heedless landlords of these dens, for the notice must be attended to within ten days after it is served. The rigid enforcement of the law in this respect will be hailed with pleasure by all who entertain feelings of humanity, and especially by the poor tenants, who heretofore have been sacrificed to the cupidity and criminal neglect of their landlords. The good effects of the law are already apparent in the change which has taken place in the most notorious of these human traps, and the inmates no longer tremble for their lives at the prospect of a fire. In carrying out the provisions of the law in the strictest and most impartial manner the Superintendent of Buildings will earn the gratitude and esteem of all classes in the community.

RIGHTS OF NATURALIZED CITIZENS.—A despatch to the Associated Press yesterday confirms the special cable telegram published in the HERALD on Sunday last, announcing the signing of a treaty between North Germany and the United States relative to the rights and privileges of naturalized American citizens of German birth. According to the terms of the treaty North Germany ceases to claim military service from her former citizens after they have resided five years in this country.

FIRE IN ELDREDGE STREET.—About half-past six o'clock last night a fire broke out in the tailor's shop in the basement of No. 94 Eldredge street, owned by Weiss and Eisenberg. The stock was considerably damaged, probably to the extent of \$1,000; insured for \$2,300 on stock and fixtures in the Mechanics and Traders' Insurance Company. The building is owned by Charles Scheibel, is damaged about \$100 and is insured for \$5,000 in the Relief, Globe and Star Insurance Companies.

EUROPEAN MARKETS.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.—London, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—Consols closed at 93 a 93½ for money and account. American securities closed at the following rates: United States five-twenty bonds, 71½; Illinois Central railway shares, 67½; Erie railway shares, 43½; Pennsylvania bonds—Franklin, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—United States bonds closed at 75½ for the issue of 1868.

PARIS BOURSE.—Paris, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—The Bourse today was heavy and rentes had declined.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.—Liverpool, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—The cotton market closed firm. During the latter part of the day there was more activity in the transactions in cotton. The following are the closing quotations:—Middle uplands, in port, 9½d.; middling uplands, in port, 9½d.; middling Orleans, 9½d. The sales of the day total 10,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL HEMP MARKET.—Liverpool, Feb. 25—5 P. M.—The hemp market closed firm and advanced to 1s. 3½d. Common No. 1, 9d. per cwt.; for common No. 2, 8½d. per cwt.; for extra prime, 9½d. per cwt.; for extra prime, 10½d. per cwt. White oil, 52d. per ton; sperm oil, 41½d.; linseed oil, 40½d.; tinned oil, 40½d. per ton for this oiling for feeding.

EUROPEAN MARINE NEWS.

QUEENSTOWN, Feb. 25.—The steamship City of Paris, Captain Kennedy, of the Jersey line, which left New York on the 15th inst., arrived at this port at an early hour this morning, on the way to Liverpool.

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SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE HERALD.

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QUEEN'S HOTEL, LONDON, Feb. 25, 1868.

Earl Derby, whose health has been failing rapidly for some time past, placed his resignation of the office of Premier of England in the hands of Queen Victoria at Osborne House this evening.

The noble Earl, in thanking her Majesty for the royal favor shown to him and the confidence reposed in him, alleges ill health as necessitating his retirement from office.

The Queen accepted the resignation of Earl Derby.

Her Majesty immediately "sent for" as it is termed in court language Mr. Disraeli, and by telegram requested the right honorable gentleman to form a new cabinet.

Mr. Disraeli has not yet been to Osborne to see the Queen, but will go there early to-morrow and have an interview with her Majesty.

Public opinion has it that the great seal of office will be tendered to Mr. Disraeli and that he will accept the post of Premier, holding at the same time the Chancellorship of the Exchequer, like Sir Robert Peel, Pitt, Mr. Perceval and other ministers of former years.

Should Mr. Disraeli not accept the office and endeavor to form a Cabinet, holding the Chancellorship of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Northcote may vacate the office of Secretary of State for India and be commissioned as Chancellor.

No changes have been made in the Cabinet to this hour.

The House of Lords met in session this evening, when Earl Malmesbury announced the resignation of Lord Derby to the Peers with "great regret."

Earl Russell immediately rose and in a few words expressed his regret at the cause—the ill health of the ex-Premier—which had induced the change in the Cabinet.

The House then adjourned to Thursday evening. The House of Commons assembled at the usual hour.

Immediately after the Speaker had taken the chair Lord Stanley rose and announced the resignation of the Premier, Lord Derby, making allusion to a coming change in the Cabinet.

Mr. Gladstone replied in terms almost similar to those used by Earl Russell in the House of Lords. The House of Commons then adjourned to Friday.

THE PRESS TELEGRAMS.

Lord Derby's Resignation as Premier—Disraeli to Fill the Office—The Clerkwell Feud.

LONDON, Feb. 25—Evening.

The *Liverpool Courier* this morning contained a report that Earl Derby had resigned the Premiership and that his resignation had been accepted by the Queen. During the day the news was confirmed.

It was also ascertained that Mr. Disraeli would replace Lord Derby as Prime Minister, at the same time retaining his present post as Chancellor of the Exchequer.

In the House of Lords this afternoon, at the beginning of the session, the Earl of Malmesbury announced that Lord Derby had tendered his resignation to the Queen on account of continued ill health, and that her Majesty had been pleased to call upon the present Chancellor of the Exchequer, the right honorable Benjamin Disraeli to form a new Cabinet.

Earl Russell and others expressed their sympathy for Lord Derby, and hoped he might recover from his illness and resume his post at the head of the Ministry.

In the House of Commons the announcement of the resignation of the Prime Minister was made by Lord Stanley, and was responded to by Mr. Gladstone, who with much delicacy and feeling expressed his sorrow for the cause which compelled the noble lord to resign his high office.

The transaction of all business in the House was postponed until Friday next.

All the prisoners charged by the coroner's jury with complicity in the Clerkwell explosion have been committed to stand trial for murder.

THE CABINET CHANGES.

LONDON, Feb. 25—Midnight.

It is now thought that Mr. Disraeli will resign his position as Chancellor of the Exchequer, and that Sir Stafford Northcote will take his place.

No one is yet named as the probable successor of the latter as Secretary of State for India.

ABYSSINIA.

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Despatches from General Napier—A British Envoys in a Princely and Military Council—Hopeful Aspect of Affairs—The Native Ladies Friendly.

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Despatches have been received from Abyssinia dated to the 6th inst.

Major General Napier telegraphed to Sir Stafford Northcote that Major Grant, sent as an envoy to the friendly chiefs, had been well received by Prince Kassal.

The letter and presents forwarded in the name of her Majesty Queen Victoria were accepted and received in an open durbar, or council, which was attended by two thousand persons, chiefs and warriors.

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The Baron Tiedel arrived here in the French steamer Imperatrice Eugenie, and Senator Don Angel Turbide in the American steamer Eagle—both bound to Mexico.

An order has been issued by the Mexican government to extinguish the national debt by auction sales of confiscated property, just as was done previous to the intervention. This is the cheapest way to obtain money. It is expected that \$100,000 can be paid off monthly.

The Yucatan Indians had become formidable. They had struck the towns of San Pedro, Eshojos and Santa Cruz, and had assassinated General Matias and fourteen of the inhabitants. The Prefect of Guaymas had sent a battalion to punish them.

President Juarez had been permitted to take six months' leave of absence to visit Washington.

The rebel schooner Oriente, commanded by a Spanish captain, had been retaken by the national forces. In the chase she stranded on the north coast of Yucatan. General Alatorre demands reinforcements and money. Letters state that government will be compelled to recall Governor Cepeda on account of his unpopularity. No one is willing, it appears, to accept the political command of the State—the Cepedists least of all.

It was feared at the capital that Canales, Carrizal and Quiroga would seize the silver conducta expected at Matamoros from Monterey. Canales is abundantly provided with two thousand muskets and a battery.

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Mr. Cameron, agent of the British mail steamers, has arrived here to arrange matters relating to the new station.

ANTIGUA.

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Sugar Crop—Governatorial Changes in the British Colonies.

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Our advices from Antigua are to the 27th ult. The sugarcrop had commenced. Some of the crop was already in market. There was no rum to be got.

Robberies were frequent.

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The Judiciary Committee reported an ordinance relating to the qualification of members of the Legislature, in accordance with instructions received yesterday. Six months in the State and three months in the country, with a citizenship of the United States, is the basis.